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April 19, 1979

Mr. Clyde Chetwynde  
St. John's Seminary  
Lake Street  
Brighton, Mass. 02135

Dear Mr. Chetwynde,

In answer to your request for data about Msgr. John M. Manion '16, I am sorry that the enclosed is the only information we have been able to find. I would suggest that you check the necrology report on his death in the Boston papers at the Boston Public Library. You could also check in the Diocesan Archives in the Chancery.

In Christ,

  
(Rev.) Joseph J. Shea, S.J.  
Archivist

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DEATH NOTICE

Name Rev. Msgr. John M. Manion '16 Class '16  
Address 60 Cardinal O'Connell Way, Boston, MA 02114  
Wife's Name ----- Children -----  
Relatives Who Are Alumni -----  
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Date of Death April 26, 1976  
Name & Address of Funeral Home Regina Cleri, 60 Cardinal O'Connell Way, Boston  
Hours of Visiting Wednesday, April, 28, 1976 from 2 - 4, and 7 - 9 p.m.  
Name & Address of Church St. Joseph's Church, West End  
Time of Funeral Mass Thursday, April 29, 1976 at 10:00 a.m.  
Source of Information Newspaper clipping 5/5/76

cc: President's Office (2)  
Vice President (Dev.)  
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## Purple Datcher 1916 - Yearbook



JOHN M. MANION

PLYMOUTH, MASS.

"Jack"

"The oracle hath spoken!"

Promoter L. S. S. (4); Consultor B. V. M. Sodality (4); Treasurer Aquinas (4).

After serious deliberation and many confidential talks with his friends, "Jack" decided to cast his lot with the Class of 1916 at Holy Cross. Accordingly he shook the dust of the Pilgrim stronghold from his feet and migrated to the Heart of the Commonwealth in the early fall of 1912.

Soon after the school year opened "Jack," with his characteristic spirit of organization, called a meeting of the Plymouth undergraduates. In a few well-selected words he explained the advantages of such an organization and declared the nomination and election of officers in order. "Jack" was elected president, John M. Manion secretary, and John M. Manion treasurer. Each election was unanimous and, strange to say, the same officers have been elected each year, due, perhaps, to

their popularity and efficiency.

"Jack" is a well-known member of the Holy Cross Trinity, or Triumvirate, as it has sometimes been irreverently called. Whenever one sees any one of these three, he can be quite sure the others are close by.

"Jack" is very "modest" when speaking of Plymouth, but we have heard it said that he has claimed about every possible distinction for his home town. What about the harbor and waterfront, John?

It has been rumored that "Jack" has been working out in secret to fit himself for the tennis season, but, of course, with his customary modesty, "Jack" disclaims any such work. Nevertheless, we will look for him and his friend "Labby" on the courts when the season opens.

As to his scholastic ability since he became one of us, we need say nothing. A glance at the stairs leading to the platform in Fenwick Hall each month after marks are read will reveal the marks of the little Pilgrim's boots. What more need we say on this score?

We are not sure of "Jack's" future walk in life, but rumor does not always make mistakes. May he be as successful as he has been since he has been with us here at Holy Cross. He will have nothing to fear and will contribute his share of good to the world.

Old Colony Memorial :

November 1945

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH  
Rev. John M. Manion ,Pastor

Members of the Holy Family church met their new pastor last Sunday. On November 21 the Most Reverend Archbishop raised the mission to the status of a parish and appointed Rev. John M. Manion, late director of the Catholic Charitable Bureau, as the first pastor. His residence pro tem will be at 17 Lothrop Street, Plymouth. One of the sacristies will be fitted up as an office where the parishioners may meet him.

The boundaries of the parish are the boundaries of the township, so all Catholic residents of Duxbury hereby, become parishioners of Holy Family.

*taken from  
Old Colony Memorial  
Nov. 1945*

ST. MARY'S RECTORY

158 Washington Street  
Winchester, Mass.

Rev. John Ellison,  
Church of the Epiphany,  
Winchester, Mass.

Dear Mr. Ellison:-

It certainly IS time the social customs,-as you call them, of our teen-agers become the subject of some serious thought, and as a result of some decisive action. It doesn't seem to me that they need to be brought to anyone's attention. All parents who are not in a state of coma ought to know how the situation stands.

When steady dating, couples, but never stag, pajama parties, parking in the family car, drinking, and french kissing,-to name but a few of the contributing factors,- are looked upon as "cute", "innocent enough", and quite "innocuous",-what can you expect? The teen-agers want to look on these things as being quite innocent but parents who should know better, second the idea.

It is unfortunate you made mention of confession in your letter. As you know, the seal of confession is inviolable, and while priests might sepak of things they knew quite outside the confessional, it would be impossible to make the average person-especially the non-Catholic-believe that the external and internal forum were not being over-lapped. That is why I personally would not appear at your conference.

I do not believe this is a matter for teen-agers to discuss. I believe it is a matter for parents to come to very definite decisions. They should begin to exercise the authority over their children which God has given them. THEY should decide that their son or daughter would have no steady date. You must have read of the Catholic attitude on this in the daily press and perhaps read some of the contemptuous rebuttals. What is so terrible about a boy or a girl going stag to a dance? Cars borrowed from parents are wonderful for transportation purposes but to be shameless occasions of temptations is another story entirely. Drinking in High School should be a matter for punishment and it's a very negelectful parent who can't discern the smell of liquor on a child's breath. French kissing is another thing that occurs in parked cars and which seems so revolting that you wonder how it is tolerated except that you know it "acts twice as fast" in stirring up passion.

If you think a town-wide meeting, ratifying and adopting a social code will change things, you are not being very realistic. This thing begins in the HOMES. Only when parents exercise their God-given authority to say where their children will go, with whom, and for what length of time,-and a few more such old-fashioned dicta, will you make any dent in this. Having a meeting in the High School auditorium and laying down codes will not.

very truly yours,

FATHER MANION.